RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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Applicants: Yukio YAMAKAWA et al

POLYURETHANE ELASTIC FIBER NONWOVEN FABRIC AND For:

ITS PRODUCTION AND SYNTHETIC LEATHER USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

In response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2004, Sir: please amend the above-identified application as follows: (Please see following pages.)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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